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Possibly, Apostle John Henry regrets that the subpoena found him in good health.

Possibly the Japanese navy will show the Baltic fleet the courtesy of going out to meet it.

Judge Barch found no opposition whatever to his candidacy in either Iowa or Illinois.

Miss Hamlin will not go to Washington, not being sure that she could forget her marriage.

Mr. Cutler's message to the Legislature will be a good one, if apostolic assistance can make it so.

Leading Democrats are doubtless saving up their sore spots for exhibition at the Jackson day reunion.

One of the good results of the Colorado election, was the choice of a number of politicians for terms in jail.

The News says that Mr. Reynolds was an "iridescent financier." Another Mr. Reynolds was an iridescent witness.

Judge Parker, having recovered his appetite, will be given a banquet by the New York bar, in honor of his defeat.

Witness Lundstrom's testimony is strongly corroborated by insinuations of the Deseret News that he is unworthy of belief.

Apostle Taylor must think it a shame to keep him away from his firesides at Christmas time, as two of them are new ones.

Though a joint author of the manifesto, Brother Penrose has modestly refrained from being offended by violations of it.

Even if most of their work is done for them by others, Legislators will be allowed the usual compensation, minus ten per cent.

When Apostle Penrose reaches Washington and learns that much truth has been told by the witnesses, he will be greatly shocked.

Senator Smoot would probably have to admit that he has made a few vows of vengeance against members of the American party.

Senator Smoot will be in such a predicament when he is asked concerning his temple oaths, that he, too, may suffer a loss of memory.

Mr. Sutherland can see why Utah should rejoice at Christmas time, when it has been assured that he will represent it in the Senate.

Apostle Penrose may hint that he has a poor opinion of the methods of the committee, but it will be just like the committee not to care.

Will that eminent representative of the Utah Democracy, Chairman Spry, be excluded from the Jackson day banquet, because of petty jealousy?

But is it just to send those Denver ballot box stuffers to places of imprisonment where other prisoners will be compelled to associate with them?

Perhaps the memories of witnesses would have faded even in this salubrious region, if the sub-committee had made its proposed visit to Utah.

Heyburn may be a good mining lawyer; but he found that an ounce of practice is worth more than a pound of theory in the estimation of the Senate.

But Reed Smoot's mind may have been so occupied with great thoughts that he could not pay much attention to the terms of such trifling things as oaths.

Mr. Bryan, instead of showing resentment because Colorado voted against Parker, is manifesting a broad spirit by lecturing in that State at his usual rates.

The News started out to discredit Wallis—it found a witness named Lang-

ton. It would not have to go very much further to find a witness, also named Langton, who might discredit Langton.

AFTER THE FACTS.

We proclaim again to all the world that this is an un-American war upon the church, in violation of the principles of American Government. We ask the American people to calmly consider all the facts, before passing judgment.—Deseret News.

To quote a former utterance of the News, "that statement is interesting if true."

But is it true?

Of course not; and the News knows that it is not true.

The Senate of the American people is now vainly trying to get the facts, and is sending out subpoenas; while the News and its proprietors, the leaders of the church, are engaged in evading, concealing and even falsifying in order to prevent the facts from reaching public light.

Nearly every man supposed to be in possession of facts has "scooted" for Canada or Mexico, or further points. Instead of trying to inform the American people, one of the apostles is headed for the Arctic circle, presumably to cache his large and interesting collection of "facts" nearer the North Pole. And another apostle is headed with his "facts," or some of them, near the caves of the Incas in South America.

When the United States Senate wanted a certain apostle to testify, the president of the church promised to use his endeavor to produce that apostle, with his "facts." The president had absolute authority over the apostle, and yet the apostle refused to present himself and his "facts" at Washington. One might think that this placed him out of harmony with his quorum, but his standing seems to have been enhanced by his disobedience to his chief. To be sure, the chief's request was probably accompanied by private information that his compliance was not expected.

When a Senator of the United States asked Joseph F. Smith to tell some of the facts, that distinguished prelate hissed through his clenched teeth, "I am not a paid spotter or informer." What a pity it was, for the decency of his demeanor and for the edification of the world, that President Smith was not then aware of his desire, as now expressed through the Deseret News, to have the American people "calmly consider all the facts!" In that day he thought that any one who told the facts was a "paid spotter or informer"; while in this day the Deseret News makes such proclamation, under his authority, as would require him to answer with decent respect rather than to insolently hiss in the face of the American people.

If the News and its proprietors, who are the leaders of the church, desire to place the facts before the American people, why do they not tell them, instead of lying about them? Why do they get angry every time any fact is disclosed? Why are their witnesses so reluctant and forgetful? Why does nearly every man for whom a subpoena is supposed to be in existence, disappear until he can conceal his "facts"? If the News and the leaders of the church, who own the News, desire to have the facts placed before the American people, why not call Tanner and Chamberlin, and Newton, and Teasdale and others, back from their exile and tell them to go upon the stand and speak the truth?

The News knows that even as good a man as George Reynolds is condemned by some of the special cult which the News represents, because he did tell a part of the facts.

The News knows that its anger is aroused toward any one who dares tell the facts. Its reporters made life a burden for poor Sam Russell because he dared to tell a fact in the Tabernacle. Its starts out its slanders and uses its columns to discredit Wallis and Lundstrom because they testified.

It does not desire to have the facts known to the American people. And there is not a person of intelligence in Salt Lake who is deceived for a moment by its pervasiveness.

The Mormons who read the News know that it tells falsehood and counsels falsehood. And their excuse and its excuse, if it would give one, is that falsehood to protect its peculiar creed is righteous, and that to tell the facts is apostasy.

To ask the "American people to calmly consider all the facts," and then to hide the facts so that the American people can't get at them, is peculiarly like the Deseret News.

THE STATE BANKING LAWS.

Evidently, the banking laws of this State need amendment in the way of requiring better scrutiny and supervision, or else in some very essential point. This is brought to public attention by the receiver's report in the case of a bank recently taken under the supervision of the court.

To begin with, we will say that we firmly believe there was not the slightest intention on the part of the banker involved to wrong anybody; the fact that he appears to have turned in to the receiver all the real estate held by himself and his family establishes this point if it were not fully obvious otherwise.

But the public phase of the question is that a private bank can run along here without conforming to the safe rules of banking and of public security. In the case exemplified, the balance on the wrong side of the ledger is \$7150.52. But to make this comparatively small balance, various pieces of reality are put in at a valuation of \$65,902.25, which in a total of assets of \$100,136.84

and liabilities in excess as stated above, is not a real banking proposition.

Now, as stated, there is no reason in the world to comment on this particular showing otherwise than to say that it isn't business; and particularly it is not banking business. But if an honest man can under our law conduct a bank in this unbusinesslike way, a dishonest man could no doubt do far worse.

The need, therefore, for a strengthening of the banking laws and of banking supervision in this State must be evident to all, and we direct the attention of the Legislature to the matter, in the hope that there may be amendment made of the banking statutes and regulations for the better protection of the public.

LAWSON IS WILD AGAIN.

Thomas W. Lawson has again gone mad with a method. He is announcing in advance another attack on Wall Street, and tells in a half-page advertisement that he desires the public shall know, so that he will not be blamed when the slaughter comes on. He says: "I am going to strike again, suddenly, sharply, sensationally, and in a way that will produce effects upon price and upon markets so much more destructive than the effects and destruction of last week will appear by comparison as milk to vitriol. * * * It matters not how much preparation is made, as it will come in a way not possible to guard against. * * * And I am only in the mild preliminary stages yet * * * When real work begins Wall Street and the system will look like a last year's straw hat in the swirls of Niagara."

He warns the public once more against the Standard Oil crowd, and threatens them with court proceedings if they dare dispute his assertions concerning Rogers or Rockefeller, whom he calls by name.

The spectacle of this man Lawson, standing openly before the people of the United States and in reputable journals of the country, threatening by some mysterious agency, to produce a panic which will carry off millions of value from stocks without in reality affecting the value of properties—but in its progress wiping out hundreds and thousands of small holders and speculators—is one of which there should be some law to take instant cognizance. Mr. Lawson may be quite sincere in his hatred of Rogers and Rockefeller; but nevertheless he is playing their game. If there is any truth in his vituperative assertions concerning them, their policy is to sell watered stock at top prices to the public after having boomed them by a bull movement; and then to buy it back from the frightened public at bottom prices after having tumbled it by a bear movement. This is precisely what Lawson has done for some of the stocks in which the Standard Oil crowd are interested. He was largely instrumental in unloading the enlarged capitalization of the Amalgamated Copper company, which belongs to the Standard Oil people; and he is now engaged in smashing it down to 25 on the dollar—well knowing that the honest investors will in their fear sell it out and that the Standard Oil crowd and probably himself will buy it in. He will not announce the date of his proposed assassination of values, but leaves the threat hanging over stockholders in various corporations like a sword suspended by a single hair.

Surely, never anything as crazy as the situation produced by this man was ever seen outside of a lunatic asylum. In the plainest possible words he announces to the world that he is going to make a panic; and society is powerless to protect itself against the execution of his threat.

If there is a law to permit, Lawson should be thrown into jail or a madhouse before he can gratify his vicious or insane intention.

WHAT NELSON'S "ACT" SHOWS.

With lumbering jocularity or satire, the News attempts to show that the Senate committee will be convinced by State Superintendent A. C. Nelson that there is no sectarian control of schools in Utah; that inasmuch as he is a Mormon, presumably under control of the hierarchy, he would not do anything without their approval; and that they are to be credited with his work of investigation into the use of public schoolrooms for holding of religion classes. It concludes an editorial on that subject by stating: "Mr. Nelson's act [in securing the list of public schools in which religion classes are taught] * * * shows that the schools are in no danger from ecclesiastical domination as far as the 'Mormon' church is concerned."

The facts are entirely opposed to the conclusions which the News would like to have its readers reach. State Superintendent Nelson conducted his inquiry without authority from and without knowledge of the leaders of the church. He found that in three hundred public schoolhouses of the State religion classes were taught, contrary to the Constitution and laws of the State and in defiance of the provisions of the enabling act.

When The Tribune learned, and not from Mr. Nelson, that his investigation was in progress, and published some of the results of that investigation, certain prominent people connected with the politico-ecclesiastical combine here attempted to raise a great storm about the Superintendent's head.

The News can take no credit to itself or its owners for his work. He uncovered their falsehood and law-breaking. His research enabled him to expose at Washington, if he will, the manner in which the public school system is desecrated by sectarian control.

shows that the schools ARE in danger. Furthermore, his testimony, if given according to the facts, will wake up such of the American people as are not already aroused to the enormities practiced in Utah in the name of religion.

THE SMELTERMEN'S GOOD FAITH.

Worthy of special note is the promptness and earnestness with which the manager of the American Smelting and Refining Company has redeemed his promise to the farmers that he would take up their grievance and push for a remedy. They made earnest complaint of the destruction of their crops by the smoke and fumes from the smelters, and asked not only damages for the past, but redress against future damage.

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Many reductions in the Basement.
Furs reduced one-fifth.
Reduction in flannel shirt waists.
Certain other waists are reduced.
A large line of jackets reduced one-half.
Boys' clothing—two lines—reduced to \$1 and \$3.95 respectively.
Reductions in millinery.
Big hosiery sale—the strongest of the season.
Bath robes reduced.
Handkerchief sale.
Interesting shoe sale.
Many lines of ladies' suits reduced.

Santa Claus will greet the children
at 2 o'clock and entertain them
for three hours.



Santa Claus Will Give Each Child a Christmas Book This Afternoon.

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